

NEWS RELEASE

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Crimes Against Property Team tries three defendants, several plead guilty

The week of September 14 to September 18, 2009, the Crimes Against Property Team conducted three jury trials in Mecklenburg County Superior Court.

The first trial was of James Broom, age 44, for 1) felony attempted breaking or entering and 2) felony possession of burglary tools. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty* to all counts. The State then proceeded against Mr. Broome for being a habitual felon. Mr. Broome admitted his status as a habitual felon. The Honorable James W. Morgan, Superior Court Judge, sentenced Broom to 144 to 182 months in prison. (Courtroom 5370)

The second jury trial was of Robert McAfee, age 28, for 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) felony possession of burglary tools. The jury returned a verdict of *guilty* to all counts. Judge Morgan sentenced McAfee to two (2) consecutive sentences. The first was a split sentence of 100 days in jail and 11-14 months in prison, suspended, with a 30-month period of supervised probation. The second sentence was 8-10 months in prison, suspended, with a 30-month period of supervised probation. The first six months of this probationary sentence are to be served as intensive probation (Courtroom 5370)

The third jury trial was of Andy Anderson, age 18, for 1) felony attempted breaking or entering, 2) felony conspiracy, and 3) misdemeanor possession of marijuana. The jury did not reach a unanimous verdict as to the attempted breaking or entering charge. The Honorable Calvin E. Murphy, Superior Court Judge, declared a mistrial. The jury found the Defendant *not guilty* on the felony conspiracy and *guilty* as to the misdemeanor possession of marijuana charge. Judge Murphy sentenced the Defendant to 12 days in jail. (Courtroom 5150)

In addition to the three jury trials, some defendants pled guilty before their trials began; among them were:

Demario Jenkins, age 31, pled guilty to two counts of breaking or entering, two counts of larceny after breaking or entering and one count of conspiracy. Jenkins received two consecutive sentences. The first sentence was 9-11 months in prison. The second sentence was 9-11 months in prison, suspended, with a 30-month period of supervised probation. The first six months of the probationary sentence shall be served as intensive probation. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Michael Lanford, age 60, pled guilty to breaking or entering and larceny and was sentenced to 5-6 months in prison, suspended, with a 30-month period of supervised probation. The first six months of the probationary sentence are to be served as intensive probation (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Javonte Miller, age 21, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering and felony larceny after breaking or entering and was sentenced to 45 days in jail, and 6-8 months in prison which was suspended for 36 months of supervised probation. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Erick Sloan, age 31, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering and felony larceny after breaking or entering and was sentenced to 16 days in jail, to be followed by 6-8 months in prison which was suspended for 30 months of supervised probation. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Adrian Smith, age 41, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering a motor vehicle and resisting an officer. Smith received consecutive sentences. The first sentence was 12-15 months in prison. The second sentence was 60 days in jail. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Christian Stallard, age 20, pled guilty to felony possession of stolen goods. Stallard was sentenced to 30 days in jail, followed by 5-6 months in prison which was suspended for 30 months of supervised probation. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Frederick Weathers, age 51, pled guilty to felony possession of stolen goods. Weathers was sentenced to 12 to 15 months in prison. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Erik Clay, age 20, pled guilty to six counts of felony breaking or entering a motor vehicle and one count of felony larceny. Clay was sentenced to 9-11 months in prison followed by an additional 6-8 months in prison. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Mark Salazar, age 39, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering a motor vehicle. Salazar was sentenced to 45 days in jail, followed by 5-6 months in prison, which was suspended for 30 months of supervised probation. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

William Saddler, age 18, pled guilty to felony breaking or entering. Saddler was sentenced to 45 days in jail, followed by 5-6 months in prison, which was suspended for 30 months of supervised probation. (Courtroom 5150; Judge Murphy)

Willie Hopkins, age 29, pled guilty to failure to register as a sex offender. Hopkins was sentenced to 17-21 months in prison, which was suspended for 30 months of supervised probation. (Courtroom 5370; Judge Morgan)

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